

ANNOUNCEMENT



Re: Digital Phonorecord Rate Adjustment Proceeding,
Docket No. 96-4 CARP DPRA

On February 3, 1997, the Copyright Office published a notice in the Federal Register vacating the precontroversy discovery schedule in the above captioned proceeding. See 62 FR 5057 (February 3, 1997). The notice also set April 1, 1997 as the date for the first status conference between the Office and the interested parties.

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The Office met with the parties who are currently negotiating the reasonable rates and terms for digital transmissions that constitute a digital phonorecord delivery (the Recording Industry of America, the National Music Publishers, and the Harry Fox Agency) on the scheduled date. At that time, the parties advised the Office that the negotiations were going well and that they expected to conclude their negotiations during the summer. Based on the parties' comments and optimism, the Office agreed that the parties should continue their negotiations and scheduled a second status meeting for July 15, 1997.

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This announcement shall serve as a reminder to all interested parties that the second status meeting is scheduled for **Tuesday, July 15, 1997 at 10:00 a.m.** This meeting will take place at the Library of Congress, Madison Building, Room LM-454, 101 Independence Avenue, S.E., Washington, D.C.

Parties who wish to participate in this meeting via conference call may make arrangements to do so with Ms. Vivian Roque-Balboa at (202) 707-1916.

VIA FACSIMILE

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